

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Scheer et al.  
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Title: BIODEGRADABLE POLY(LACTIC ACID) POLYMER COMPOSITION AND  
FILMS, COATINGS AND PRODUCTS COMPRISING BIODEGRADABLE  
POLY(LACTIC ACID) POLYMER COMPOSITION  
Art Unit: 1773  
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Docket No.: 117682-002

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.